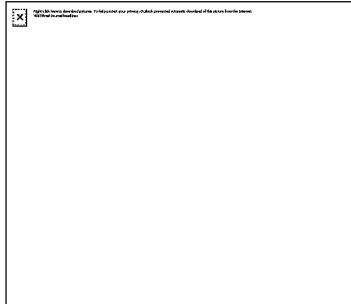


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Subject: Ride this gentleman's coattails to life-changing wealth

Why now could be the best time to invest in two decades...

Does this guy really expect to turn \$1 million into \$1 BILLION? In short, YES. Read on for how he plans to do it... why you don't need a million dollars to ride his coattails to life-changing wealth... and why you'll want to respond right away...



The headlines you just read, all from recent editions of *The Wall Street Journal*, scare me silly.

But as Chief Investment Officer at The Motley Fool, they don't surprise me. Investors invariably shrink to the sidelines or throw in the towel just when the OPPORTUNITY is greatest. It's only natural. Investing in volatile markets like this can be unnerving -- especially on your own.

That's why I'm getting in touch so early this Saturday morning. If you haven't had a chance to watch Tom Gardner's video revealing how he plans to turn a \$1 million dollar investment into \$1 BILLION -- and how you can follow along step-by-step -- I hope you'll take a moment to watch it now.

Or if you prefer to read at your own pace, I've included a transcript just below. Within minutes, you'll discover...

- Why Motley Fool co-founder Tom Gardner asserts that right now could be the best time in DECADES for you to build a market-thumping portfolio
- The No. 1 myth you're hearing from even well-intentioned advisors
- And the single greatest reason why investors almost ALWAYS miss out on generational opportunities like this

You'll also meet portfolio manager Ron Gross. By now, you may be aware that Ron is a 20-year Wall Street veteran and successful hedge fund manager. But here's something you may not know...

During nearly a decade managing hedge funds, Ron earned his investors a 112% total return on their investment. That's impressive in normal times. But Ron earned those returns over a period when the S&P 500 broad market index LOST 32.9%.

Frankly, those numbers blew me away. You can see why I'm so pleased to have Ron managing \$1 million of The Motley Fool's money -- and why I'm so eager for you to take advantage of his offer to follow along with him in real time, step by step, trade by trade.

Although one warning: This opportunity has been unavailable for 12 months, and will be available for a few days at most. I have no idea how many people will respond this weekend or when we will reach our strict membership cap.

So if you think you might be interested -- or are just curious to see that the buzz is about -- please grab a cup of coffee, kick back, and check out Tom Gardner's personal message right now. I really think you'll enjoy it.

[**Click here for your time-sensitive message from
Motley Fool Co-founder Tom Gardner**](#)

Regards,



If you have any doubt that RIGHT NOW is the time to get rich, watch this...

Once each year, roughly 5% of Motley Fool members
take their investing to a new level. Your opportunity
to join them begins today!

(RSVP requested. Please do not forward this email.)

Dear Foolish Investor,

As a Motley Fool member... you know that the surest way to build long-term wealth
is by investing in the world's best companies...

And when it comes to building a market-crushing stock portfolio, the time to get
started is always RIGHT NOW.

Since 1926... a period spanning the Great Depression, numerous recessions, two
world wars, and, yes, the so-called "lost decade for stock investors" ...

U.S. stocks have earned investors 9.7% per year -- turning every \$1,000 invested
into a \$3 million fortune.

That's many times the \$924,000 you could have earned in bonds ... \$20,000 or so
in U.S. Treasuries... or \$59,000 in gold.

But, again, none of this is news to you. Nor will it surprise you to hear that I
personally believe you can do even better -- MUCH BETTER.

But THIS may surprise you coming from a co-founder of The Motley Fool...

When it comes to investing in the world's best companies, there are GOOD times to
invest... and then there are GREAT times to invest.

And every so often, there comes along a time like THIS.

I'm Tom Gardner, co-founder of The Motley Fool.

If, like me, you're looking to lay the foundation for decades of wealth-building
returns, RIGHT NOW could be your best opportunity in years... maybe *decades*.

Now hold on just a minute! Am I suggesting that you should try to "time the
market?"

Well, maybe just a little. But it's not as crazy as it sounds -- as I'll explain in the
remainder of this letter.

I'll also share a second reason why I'm convinced your timing couldn't be better...
and show you exactly how I propose we take advantage of this rare opportunity.

I hope you'll take a moment to read. Because even if you don't accept the invitation,
I think you'll find what I have to share interesting and useful in these times of
uncertainty and *opportunity*.

By now I imagine you've heard...

On my instruction, The Motley Fool's chief financial officer, Ollen Douglass, wired
\$1 million of our company's funds to our private Charles Schwab brokerage account.

The date on the original deposit reads October 23, 2007.

My goal at the time was to grow that \$1 million into \$1 BILLION over the course of
the next 50 years.

That was a tall order even in ordinary times. But once I show you my assumptions, I
think you'll agree they were reasonable.

Of course, we all know what happened next...

The housing bubble burst, global credit seized up, and stock markets crashed
around the world. What followed were the ugliest 18 months most of us will likely

ever experience as investors.

Holy cow...

And here I had just committed \$1 million of my company's valuable cash reserves... to the stock market... in October 2007... with the country headed for recession... *and the market at its peak!*

I can only imagine what you must be thinking. *Big mistake, right?*

Well, maybe, but I'm not so sure.

You'll have to hear the whole story before you decide whether I'm on to something -- or whether I'm completely off my rocker.

But first, I have some important news I think you've been expecting.

Beginning today and for the next 10 days, you can join me and my handpicked team in a historic adventure...

Historic adventure? Yes, I truly believe it will be.

Along the way, we'll have some fun... a chance to learn something new from each other... and best of all, *"a realistic shot at life-changing wealth."*

Those are bold ambitions, I know. But I made the same proposition to a small group of investors in October 2007.

The response was so high, we were forced to close the doors and start a waiting list. And the feedback from members simply blew me away...

"This new approach makes me feel as if we are partners..."

-- Arie L. in San Antonio, TX

"I have been waiting so long for this service. This is perfect!!!"

-- K. Miller in St. Charles, IL

"This is a great opportunity to learn how to recognize the best of the best, the fat pitch!"

-- L.H. in Sequim, WA

The following year, we did it again -- and the exact same thing happened! Ever since, I have reached out to investors with this proposition during a tight window... **just ONCE per year.**

And I'm pleased to report that the feedback just keeps getting better...

"I have been investing along with MDP for a couple years now and have been able to purchase a car and add a sunroom onto our house with the profit."

-- Barb O., Erie, PA

"I fired my full service broker... and am going to reallocate those funds to MDP. When renewal time comes, I'm signing up for the multi-year MDP subscription."

-- Doug D., Carmel, IN

"Thank you for letting me sleep well for the one-and-a-half years my wife was looking for employment after being laid off."

-- J. Gonzalez, Miami, FL

As for the folks who were placed on the waiting list... they are reading this invitation along with you right now.

As are more than 85,000 additional Motley Fool readers who contacted us directly over the past 12 months, expressing interest in joining this year.

That's far and away the most advance interest I have ever received from Motley Fool members like you. So I do hope you will hear me out.

At least until you hear what happened to my "infamous" \$1 million investment...

On October 18, 2007, a team of professional stock analysts began putting that million dollars to work in an actively managed portfolio of common stocks.

Over the next 5, 10, 25, even the next 50 years, I fully expect our portfolio to beat the market silly, multiplying in value many, many times over.

Which is not to imply that our million dollar portfolio wasn't nicked in the brutal 2008-2009 market meltdown...

In fact, due to a controversial decision of my own I'll share with you just ahead, our experience in 2008 was not unlike what I imagine you went through.

Yet I am undaunted. I remain 100% confident we can still meet our lofty goals with our million dollar investment -- and I think you can do even better.

So what gives?

For starters, *I absolutely love our portfolio*. And why wouldn't I...

Every holding we have purchased with our million-dollar investment has been fully vetted by some of the sharpest investment minds on the planet.

That includes my brother David Gardner at *Motley Fool Stock Advisor* -- the single greatest growth investor I have ever met -- AND every advisor on every one of our other premium stock-picking services.

I don't have to tell you these are extremely smart, hardworking equity analysts dedicated to delivering superior investment returns to these members in an open, transparent, accountable environment every day.

Yet this team of experts is just our *preliminary* filter. By the time my handpicked money management team combs through them, *90% of those top ideas still won't make the cut*.

That's one reason I'm so confident we can reach our goals together. The second reason may surprise you, especially given what you might be reading in the papers and hearing on TV.

The No. 1 myth you'll hear from smart, even well-intentioned advisors

Tell me this...

How many times these past few months have you switched on CNBC only to find some well-intentioned financial advisor admitting that the stocks of the world's best companies are **CHEAPER** than they've been in 20 years...

But there's simply too much "uncertainty out there" for you to venture into the market?

Far better, they say, for you to wait on the sidelines for "things to clear up" before you buy, the story goes.

And you know what? It sounds so darn logical. Yet it's EXACTLY wrong.

At The Motley Fool, we don't believe anyone can accurately predict where the economy -- much less the stock market -- is headed over the next month or year.

That's why we don't encourage you EVER to "go to cash"... and why we like to say that *right now* is always the time to start building a market-beating portfolio.

Hiding in cash and waiting for better prices that may never come is simply too risky and your time is too precious.

But that's not to say that there aren't **GREAT** times to get invested. Remember, those amazing returns I showed you are long-term averages.

Not all investors earn those exact results -- some earn far **BETTER**. Namely, those who not only invest in **GREAT** companies, but who do so at **GREAT** prices.

And if history tells us anything, that's NOT when the market is powering along... the outlook is sunny... and the future looks rosy.

As Warren Buffett so beautifully puts it...

"If you wait for the robins, spring will be over!"

Time after time, the **GREAT** time to buy is when great companies are selling at low valuations AND the skies are cloudy, if not downright stormy -- yes, much as they are **RIGHT NOW**.

That's precisely the strategy that made fortunes for legendary investors like Benjamin Graham... John Templeton... Warren Buffett... and generations of America's wealthiest families.

It's no coincidence that every one of these legendary investors made vast fortunes...

Not just because they had a knack for identifying the world's best companies... and expertly assembling them into an optimized, long-term investment portfolio...

But because they had the **GUTS** -- and yes, the good fortune -- to put their capital to work when stocks were **ON SALE** and investors were fearful.

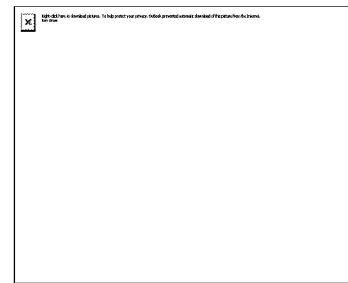
But don't take it from me...

Buffett himself insists that this is the single most critical key to successful investing: **having the temperament and discipline to keep our wits in good times and bad.**

I know. Easier said than done, right?

That's where my handpicked team comes in, led by expert portfolio manager Ron Gross. If you don't know Ron, he is about as even-tempered and seasoned an investor as you're likely to come across.

I can't tell you how fortunate I feel to have found him. You may know Ron from his work digging up market-beating value stocks when he served as co-advisor of *Motley Fool Inside Value*.



Ron Gross brings his unflappable temperament and nearly two decades of Wall Street experience to work for you at Motley Fool Million Dollar Portfolio.

On Wall Street, Ron is best known for the decade he spent working as a top equity analyst for respected investment firms and financial services companies -- and the 9 years he spent professionally managing value-focused hedge funds.

During that time, the hedge funds Ron managed earned his investors total returns of 112%, during a period when the S&P 500 Total Return Index *lost* 33% -- in other words, beating the market by a total of 145%.

Those are remarkable returns. You're probably wondering how he did it.

For starters, Ron is a tireless researcher, a master capital allocator, and has one of the keenest eyes for valuation I have ever encountered.

And like Warren Buffett, Ron believes that the most important determinant of an investor's success or failure is how he manages the emotions of greed and fear.

And this makes Ron uniquely qualified to navigate our million-dollar REAL MONEY portfolio through these uncharted waters. You can see why I'm so confident our million-dollar investment is in good hands.

As you may have heard, I call this unusual project Motley Fool Million Dollar Portfolio

And that's only partly because The Motley Fool has committed \$1 million in REAL MONEY. It's also because of what I think joining us can do for *your* personal wealth.

It really is unlike anything we've offered at The Motley Fool before -- especially at such a reasonable price as you're about to see.

I think you'll also see at once why only a small number of Fools have been able to take part so far.

This is your invitation to join them. Though, as I mentioned, advance interest has been the highest on record. So if you think you may be interested, I hope you will respond as quickly as possible.

To help you decide if *Motley Fool Million Dollar Portfolio* is right for you, let me tell you exactly how the service can work for you and all the benefits you'll receive as a member.

After all, what I'm about to propose is not for everybody. It's a more personal, hands-on service than you're probably used to. But I suspect that *Motley Fool Million Dollar Portfolio* is just the thing for you.

I've even arranged for you to sample *Million Dollar Portfolio* for a full month, beginning today...

Of course, you're under no obligation to accept. And if you do take me up on my invitation, you still won't risk a penny (I'll explain why just ahead).

You won't need a million dollars to join, either. In fact, you can benefit with most any size portfolio.

Here are a few other things you WON'T have to do...

You WON'T have to read another balance sheet.

You WON'T have to ask the hard questions of senior management.

You WON'T have to evaluate a company's competitive advantages, either. (Of course, if you enjoy such things -- as I do -- you won't find a better group to learn

from and swap ideas with than your management team and fellow *Motley Fool Million Dollar Portfolio* members.)

Best of all, you WON'T ever need to decide when to buy a stock... how much of each stock to buy... or even when to lock in your profits. That's all taken care of for you.

When you're a member of *Motley Fool Million Dollar Portfolio*, you have a dedicated team of analysts and a world-class portfolio manager to do that for you!

Then, as we move forward together, the entire team will be on hand to fine-tune and rebalance our million-dollar portfolio as market conditions dictate... again, in plain sight, so you can follow our every move.

So, what will you have to do?

First, you'll need to reply to this invitation. And since the service has been closed to new members for 12 months... and past enrollments have shown that demand will be high... you will probably want to reply at once.

Once you're a member, simply keep lookout for your personal email communications, directly from Ron Gross, the successful former hedge fund manager and equity analyst I mentioned earlier.

Or, if you prefer, keep an eye on our password-protected *Motley Fool Million Dollar Portfolio* website. You'll find regular updates, member discussions, and proprietary content not available anywhere else.

Either way, you will always know exactly what stocks Ron is buying, what stocks he's selling -- and how much of our portfolio he's committing to each.

Then, you simply follow Ron's lead in your own portfolio at your own pace. Current members assure me it couldn't be easier! Which is exactly how we designed it...

Like Bill K. from Seattle, who writes ...

**"I'm getting unbelievable return on my investment
-- being "enriched" in more ways than one!"**

Mostly, you'll just be sitting back and watching your account grow. That's all there is to it. Well, with one minor exception...

You see, while it is true that you will always know exactly what stocks we're buying... and exactly how much we're going to buy of each... you will be alerted BEFORE WE BUY.

That way, you always have the opportunity to get in -- or get out -- first. Even before we do.

Finally, because we're investing in a constantly evolving investment landscape IN REAL TIME, you can expect more frequent and timely communication from your portfolio manager and his *Motley Fool Million Dollar Portfolio* team.

I hope that sounds good so far. Because I have much more to tell you.

"Now you really can get the best of the best!"

As co-founder of The Motley Fool and lead advisor to our flagship investing advisory service, I'm proud of how we are helping you beat the market and grow your wealth. You can agree that these results are impressive...

- *Motley Fool Stock Advisor* is beating the S&P 500 by 64%
- *Motley Fool Rule Breakers* is beating the S&P 500 by 45%

Imagine a portfolio powered by the smartest, hardest-working people in the business... dedicated to one thing -- providing YOU with market-beating returns!



Take for instance, my brother, David Gardner, and his team of *Motley Fool Rule Breakers* and their remarkable knack for uncovering breakthrough companies way ahead of the masses...

Over 1,400% Profit!

David recommended China's No. 1 search engine, Baidu -- calling it "better than Google." Since then, *Rule Breakers* members have watched their investment soar more than 1,414%.

Over 360% Profit!

In February 2009, David recommended a top dog and first mover (two characteristics he loves!) in online customer relationship management -- Salesforce.com. *Rule Breakers* members who bought alongside David have more than quadrupled their money!

Over 840% Profit!

Robotic surgeries leader Intuitive Surgical has given Rule Breaking Fools a staggering 845% plus gain from the recommendation in March 2005 until now.

Motley Fool Million Dollar Portfolio gives you access to the best research teams in the world... including *Motley Fool Rule Breakers*... Teams with proven track records of delivering superior investment returns.

- *Motley Fool Income Investor* is beating the S&P 500 by 7%
- *Motley Fool Inside Value* is beating the S&P 500 by 4%
- *Motley Fool Global Gains* is beating its benchmark EAFE International Index by 13%

As a subscriber to one or more of these, you're already getting deep, expert analysis and recommendations from a specific category of investments.

Perhaps you bought my *Motley Fool Stock Advisor* recommendations, like BorgWarner -- up 450% since January 2003... or Quality Systems -- up 1,815% since March 2003...

Or my *Motley Fool Hidden Gems* recommendations, like Ctrip -- up 373%... Buffalo Wild Wings -- up over 353% since June 2004... or Middleby -- gained 433%...

Maybe you prefer the high-flying disruptive innovators my brother David Gardner brings you in *Motley Fool Rule Breakers*. Like Baidu.com -- up 1,414%... Green Mountain Coffee Roasters -- up 682%... and Intuitive Surgical -- up 845%.

Right there, you have plenty of great options to choose from. And we haven't discussed the dividend cash machines you can get from dividend investing expert James Early in *Motley Fool Income Investor*.

Or the deep-value blue chips Joe Magyer highlights in *Motley Fool Inside Value*.

Finally, there's an entire *planet* full of global opportunities -- in countries like China, India, and Brazil, whose economies are growing every year faster than the U.S. economy.

The *Motley Fool Global Gains* team is constantly on the road overseas digging them up.

Each and every one of these investing strategies can help you reach your long-term financial goals.

But if you're seriously looking to maximize your returns and minimize your risk, you need stocks from *every one of these categories* in your diversified portfolio.

Yet here's something I've heard repeatedly from Fools like you...

Having so many opportunities to choose from can be a double-edged sword.

It's no wonder so many Motley Fool members like you have come to me with the same question over the years...

**"Of all the recommendations the Fool makes --
of all the investments you guys cover --
which ones should I buy right now?"**

That's a great question, and I can assure you I've thought long and hard about it.

My first thought was to simply review the dozen or so stocks recommended across Motley Fool newsletters each month and pass on to you those I consider to be the "best of the best."

That way, we could combine the specific expertise and discipline of our world-class advisors with my own experience and proven track record of identifying market-beating stocks.

You would certainly be getting the best of the best. And who knows, drawing from this elite pool of investments, we might even surpass the 79% average return my brother David and I have earned our *Motley Fool Stock Advisor* members.

That seemed like a fine idea. But I still wasn't satisfied. For one thing, you would

SUPERIOR RETURNS across market caps... industries... even continents!

Over the past eight years, my brother, David Gardner, and I have handpicked a phenomenal cast of analysts and advisors.

Consider my long-time colleague Andy Cross for a quick second...



He's recommended some remarkable companies for *Hidden Gems* subscribers... And we've received unbelievable feedback from our members along the way.

Not long ago, we heard from a *Hidden Gems* subscriber:

"When I started, my portfolio was down to \$700. In less than 2 years, it has grown to almost \$6,000. I know it's small now, but what a great start."

In fact, Andy just returned from an investing expedition on the west coast... where he got a first-hand look at up-and-coming small companies like FormFactor, Abaxis, Infinera, and Natus... touring facilities, and meeting with top management.

And when it comes to small caps, this kind of hands-on approach often means the difference between making a fortune and just plodding along!

If putting this kind of firepower into your portfolio is something you might be interested in, I urge you to keep reading...

still be getting two new picks on the same day each month.

And before long, you'd be right back to wondering WHICH stocks to buy... HOW MUCH to buy of each... WHEN to add to your winners... and when to take your PROFITS.

Moreover, while we would have the benefit of a full view across all our market-beating newsletter services, my team and I would still be confined by a publication schedule.

Worse, we wouldn't be free to help you allocate your personal portfolio... or react on a dime to changing market conditions. Finally, we'd be underutilizing the unique skills of Ron Gross, our portfolio manager.

(Remember, Ron spent nearly a decade running a market-thumping hedge fund and 10 more years as a top equity analyst at respected Wall Street firms.)

In the end, I decided we could do more...

After all, you not only need to know the best investments each month, but also *when to buy them...* how large a part of your portfolio to *allocate to them...* and *when to sell.*

More important -- especially in volatile times like these -- you need the flexibility to take advantage of the opportunities the market hands us, even if that means loading up on lots of names one week or sitting back and waiting another.

So I opted for a solution that was completely new and different -- *Motley Fool Million Dollar Portfolio.*

Now, rather than write you a formal letter each month, Ron Gross and his team will focus on building a balanced REAL MONEY stock portfolio, using only *the best of the best stocks* from across the full suite of Motley Fool newsletter services.

You can simply follow along with your own portfolio in just minutes a month!

And when Ron periodically reallocates and rebalances our holdings to maximize our profits and lower our risk as current market conditions dictate, you will know ahead of time... so that you can easily do likewise.

Finally, in addition to tracking our returns on a live scorecard (a solution most advisors in the industry don't have the courage to try), we'll also invest REAL MONEY -- to the tune of one million dollars.

With that kind of SKIN IN THE GAME, you'll know we're serious -- and you can rest assured that you're getting only the very "**best of the best**" ideas from across all of The Motley Fool's newsletter services.

More important, you will never again struggle with deciding when to buy a stock... when to add to an existing position... or even when to take a little off the table to lock in your profits.

We really will be partners in a unified cause -- building our wealth together. Honestly, can you imagine an easier, more efficient way for you to invest The Motley Fool way?

Now, I suspect you see why I say *Motley Fool Million Dollar Portfolio* is unlike anything you've been offered before.

You can also see why this must be a limited offer...

By now, I imagine you're giving *Motley Fool Million Dollar Portfolio* some serious thought.

That's great. Before I tell you how to sign up, there are a few administrative details to discuss...

- Enrollment will be strictly limited to Motley Fool newsletter subscribers, plus those community members who personally contacted me about joining (for this reason, I respectfully ask that you not forward this email to anyone).

- **The service has been closed since November 25, 2010.** We will be enrolling new members for the **next 10 days only**... and will abruptly close the service again. There can be no exceptions.

And it may be more than a year before we open the service again.

Of course, I would prefer that everybody could join. But remember, you will be privy to our trade alerts BEFORE we buy for our own portfolio.

This is the only way you can have the opportunity to get in -- *and get out!* -- before we do. (Yes, even thinly traded micro-cap positions like the opportunities you read about in *Motley Fool Hidden Gems!*)

As important, it's only by carefully managing the size of the service that we can ensure you the attention, access, and interaction with our expert portfolio management team you deserve.

So, I hope you can appreciate why we must limit the number of memberships. Exactly how few members will we enroll in the next 10 days? I estimate considerably less than 15% of our "advance-interest" list -- in other words, eight out of 10 interested parties *won't* get in.

The REAL reason you don't want to miss out -- "Life-Changing Wealth!"

We've discussed how *Motley Fool Million Dollar Portfolio* guarantees you COMPLETE ACCESS to every single move we make as we manage a \$1 million real money portfolio...

PLUS, how you get only the **"best of the best ideas"** from across all Motley Fool investing newsletter services...

PLUS, how you will enjoy substantial savings in time (and money, too, as we'll discuss ahead!) by getting all this delivered to you in an easy-to-use Motley Fool service.

Now, it's time we addressed the REAL reason you don't want to let this opportunity pass you by. Of course, I mean PROFITS.

You see, I'm convinced that we can earn EVEN GREATER LONG-TERM RETURNS than even the best investment newsletter service on the planet... or handful of top newsletters... can provide.

How much better? Well, earlier, I told you that my goal was to turn our \$1 million original investment into **\$1 BILLION**.

And that is precisely the challenge I have issued to your portfolio manager Ron Gross and the rest of the *Motley Fool Million Dollar Portfolio* team to pursue.

Come on! Turn \$1 million into \$1 BILLION... really?

Again, I know that's a tall order -- and it's one Ron doesn't take lightly. In October 2007, that meant earning our early members a compounded annual return of 15% for 50 years... for an overall 1,000 times return!

Yes, I said *50 years*. We're in this for the duration! I may be in the graveyard when it ends. But of course, while *Motley Fool Million Dollar Portfolio* is geared toward long-term investors, I want you to stay on for just as long as *Motley Fool Million Dollar Portfolio* is of value to you.

If that doesn't mean the full 50 years, that's OK, too. After all, if you can earn 15% per year, you don't need 50 years to amass life-changing wealth. Just take a look...

- A 15% annual return turns a \$50,000 portfolio into \$406,850 in 15 years...
- A half-a-million-dollar portfolio grows to more than \$1 million in 5 years...
- And an \$800,000 portfolio, earning 15% annually, pulls in \$120,000 profit a year!

Of course, I can't *guarantee* you 15% profits every single year. As a Motley Fool member, you know I don't make promises like that -- and when discussing our performance, I will never be less than 100% upfront with you.

Which brings me to the strategic decision I mentioned earlier.

On October 29, 2007, I made the call to invest \$800,000 -- essentially our entire cash balance at the time -- into an S&P 500 index fund...

While we waited to find GREAT companies at ATTRACTIVE prices.

I take full responsibility for that decision and stand behind it.

But partly as a result, our overall portfolio is down 3% -- despite a furious comeback spearheaded by a growing list of rock-solid, long-term positions.

Including gains of 82% in Costco... 110% in United Health Care... and 157% in Chipotle.

I feel great about where we are for three reasons.

First, we're in this for the long haul. We won't likely see another market like *that* in our lifetimes, and if we do, we will persevere -- and come out ahead on the other side.

Second, I'm convinced that we are uniquely positioned in GREAT stocks at GREAT prices. And as the market continues to recover, so too will our portfolio. Only more *explosively*.

And true to form, many of our largest positions moved considerably off their bear-market lows. Here's a small sample of the recent moves our members have enjoyed...

- Biglari Holdings (BH) +70.3%
- Exxon Mobil (XOM) +67.9%
- IPG Photonics (IPGP) + 363.4%

Finally, while our portfolio is down slightly overall -- and I don't take that lightly -- we are outperforming the broader market... by an impressive SEVEN percentage points.

I can't overstress how quickly your portfolio can grow *if you can manage to beat the market by seven percentage points* -- in up markets and down.

Especially now that you can invest in the same great companies Ron Gross has researched -- and I've personally backed with a million dollars of my company's money -- at a discount to what we paid for them.

And here's another reason why your timing couldn't be better!

You've heard why I'm convinced we're perfectly positioned to benefit from the next move higher -- when "things clear up" and fearful investors inevitably get on board.

We've also discussed how you have a generational opportunity to position *yourself* alongside us at historically low valuations -- in some cases, for less than we paid.

But you might also be wondering whether it's too late for you to benefit from *Motley Fool Million Dollar Portfolio*.

It's been a few years since we began investing our million dollars, after all -- and we've made a lot of moves.

It's only natural for you to wonder whether you missed out. In fact, getting caught up couldn't be easier...

Thanks to an ingenious plan portfolio manager Ron Gross and his team have devised for you. Here's how it'll work...

Beginning just as soon as you accept this invitation today -- and continuing over your first weeks and months as a member -- Ron will personally send you email trade alerts telling you...

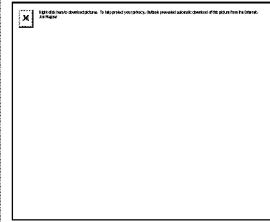
- Which of his favorite portfolio holdings to buy...
- Exactly much how capital you should allocate to each stock ...
- And approximately what price you should pay.

Then, once you've purchased Ron's "Buy First" stocks, he will alert you when it's time to move on to his "Buy" stocks...

Until he is 100% comfortable that your portfolio essentially mirrors our own million dollar portfolio.

At which point, you can start tracking Ron's Million Dollar Portfolio trade for trade. It's that simple.

Another of our experts, Joe Magyer, has an uncommon nose for value investments...



Joe's first-rate set of valuation skills and specialized knowledge of the bottom line has helped make him a top-notch investor and advisor of *Motley Fool Inside Value*. That includes recommendations like:

- MasterCard -- locked in gains of 257%
- Cimarex Energy -- locked in gains of 126%
- American Express -- locked in gains of 107%

You need stocks like these in your portfolio. But the key to value investing is to buy them when they're cheap and sell them when they're not...

Of course, that's exactly what *Motley Fool Million Dollar Portfolio* can do for you -- including the best of the best from *Motley Fool Inside Value* and our full suite of market-beating investment newsletters!

But you have to respond soon. Read on to learn why the next few days are critical.

And because you'll also have access to our original Million Dollar Portfolio... where you can see exactly **WHAT** we bought... **WHEN** we bought it... and **HOW MUCH** we paid...

You get the best of both worlds. You can pick at your leisure from Ron's positions in our existing Million Dollar Portfolio...

Even while you follow along in real time as Ron helps you build your own personal "catch-up" portfolio. It really is like getting two valuable, time-saving tools in one.

Please don't risk missing this 10 day window You may have heard the commotion back in October 2007, when I first sent out an announcement like this one to Motley Fool members.

The response blew away our expectations. So much so, we stopped enrolling new members. The same thing happened when we reopened the service the following year.

As a result, Motley Fool Million Dollar Portfolio has been opened just ONCE per year ever since.

Frankly, I have no way of knowing how many will respond to this invitation. But I have heard over and over from Motley Fool members like you who want a focus on the very best stocks... and a little more guidance on what to buy and when.

Of course, that includes our current waiting list and the 85,000 folks who have expressed interest in joining as soon as the enrollment period begins today -- many more, in fact, than we can possibly enroll given the personal, hands-on nature of the service.

For those reasons alone, I anticipate spaces being EXTREMELY LIMITED and filling up quickly. That's why I want to make certain you have every opportunity to join us today.

Join through this invitation today... and your rate is nearly HALF PRICE!

As I've said, *Motley Fool Million Dollar Portfolio* is unlike anything we've offered at The Motley Fool before. And it is a bit pricier than your current Motley Fool newsletter service. So is it worth the extra cost?

Well, let me ask you this: What would you expect to pay for the "**best of the best**," pulled from all our newsletter services, in a single Motley Fool product?

What is it worth to get...

- Full insight into a professionally managed \$1 million REAL MONEY portfolio -- and your brand-new "catch-up" portfolio
- Advance alerts pre-announcing all actions in both portfolios, when buys and sells are made, and news alerts
- A monthly online newsletter including full portfolio reviews and detailed management commentary
- A watch list of stocks we're considering buying, PLUS *Motley Fool Million Dollar Portfolio* members-only discussion boards

And remember, we have \$1 million -- and my reputation -- right on the line.

So you know we're not messing around! When you're a member of *Motley Fool Million Dollar Portfolio*, the entire family at The Motley Fool really is investing right along with you.

And we're offering you this service to you at nearly half price because we want to get you on board, building a great portfolio for the rest of your life.

The purpose of our company is to help you invest -- better.

And then, there's the simple question of value...

It's like getting the best of \$2,000 worth of Motley Fool research... for a fraction of the cost...

When you add up how much it would cost you to subscribe to the full suite of Motley Fool stock-picking newsletters you've heard about today, you're talking \$2,143 for a single year.

And you would still have to sift through pages and pages of material and recommendations.

But when you're a member of *Motley Fool Million Dollar Portfolio*, I'm not going to send you 200 pages of research to wade through each month.

After all, for all that time and effort, you still might not pick the best of the best

ideas from each.

No worries. My team will do that for you! Ordinarily, we'd do it for roughly half of what it would cost you to subscribe to all our newsletters. Or something around \$1,000. I thought that would have been a pretty fair deal.

But today you get an even better price

When you respond to this private invitation, my publisher, Danny Hsia, will give you a \$400 voucher to use today. That's my gift to you for being a loyal and committed member of our community.

That means instead of paying our regular rate of \$999 to join *Motley Fool Million Dollar Portfolio* for one year (a great value in itself), you can knock \$400 right off the top.

You pay \$599 for the full year. You save \$400.

Better yet, here's something I hope you'll give some serious thought...

Do what many current *Motley Fool Million Dollar Portfolio* members like Carmel, IN, are doing -- and take this opportunity to lock in your membership for three years at a special low price.

You'll avoid the stress and hassle of having to remember to renew your membership on a yearly basis... and you'll save even more (details just ahead).

Remember, we only open *Motley Fool Million Dollar Portfolio* to new members once per year -- and we've been forced to close the service for as long as 15 months at a stretch.

So please don't risk missing out. *Motley Fool Million Dollar Portfolio* promises to be a rich and rewarding experience and one that could make a big difference to you and your family for generations.

Of course, you don't risk a penny today

It's important to me that you understand that *Motley Fool Million Dollar Portfolio* is a little different than most Motley Fool products and that you're aware of the logistics of the situation.

At the same time, I don't want you to feel unnecessarily rushed. I'd hate for you to jump into something you might think differently about later. Well, here's why that's not going to happen to you...

Simply say yes to this invitation right now. If later tonight you have second thoughts, we'll just fix it. You simply tell me to send your money back, and I'll give you a FULL REFUND -- NO QUESTIONS ASKED.

In fact, you can take a whole month to decide. And if for any reason you want to quit at any point even after the first month, I'll gladly send you the full dollar value of the remainder of your membership term.

And get this: If you take me up on my special offer and sign up for three years today at the deeply discounted price of just \$999, I'll do you one better. And this will really surprise you...

Join for three years today, and you can cancel at ANY POINT during your three-year membership period -- even up to and including the final day -- and I will refund your ENTIRE membership fee -- no questions asked.

That's how convinced I am that once you experience the benefits of *Motley Fool Million Dollar Portfolio* and meet Ron Gross, you will want to hold on to your *Motley Fool Million Dollar Portfolio* membership for years to come.

That's how convinced I am that NOW really is a GREAT time to invest the MDP way!

I started today with a surprising suggestion. Namely, that you should consider "timing the market."

Armor-plating for our portfolio with the world's best dividend-paying investments...



Former hedge fund analyst James Early is the advisor for *Motley Fool Income Investor* -- an investment service with a proven knack for finding safe and substantial profits...

- Enterprise Products Partners, up 152% since May 2004
- Oneok, up 181% since November 2005
- Alliance Resource Partners, up 133% since November 2008

And locked in gains like Posco (made 108%)... TXU Corp (made 112%)... Equity Inns (made 116%)... and Tupperware Brands (made 136%)...

If putting these kinds of rock-solid dividend payers -- stocks that spin out predictable, easily projected patterns of cash -- into your portfolio is something you're interested in, I urge you to read on...

I'll close with one final nod to one of my heroes, legendary value investor Warren Buffett, who loves to point out that...

During the Great Depression, the Dow hit its lowest point on July 8, 1932 -- when "things" looked their bleakest...

And during the early days of World War II, the market hit bottom in April 1942 -- again, when things looked their bleakest...

And, yet again, in the early 1980s, "the time to buy stocks was when inflation raged and the economy was in the tank"...

You got it, when "things" looked their bleakest...

In hindsight, every one of these was a GREAT time to invest in the world's great companies.

And I think we're facing a similar opportunity right now.

I do hope you'll take advantage of it.

Of course, if you choose to pass up this unique opportunity today, I'll understand that, too. *Motley Fool Million Dollar Portfolio* is not for everybody. And seats truly are at a premium.

I'll sleep well knowing that you're getting the full attention of your current newsletter advisor and all the benefits of your Motley Fool membership. You're in good hands.

Still, it would be a shame to hear that you wanted to join and later discovered you'd missed out on this great opportunity.

So please if you're interested, take advantage of this *Motley Fool Million Dollar Portfolio* offer. It may be for you.

Or if you just want to find out -- please play it safe, click the button below, and let me know right away.

[START NOW](#)

Regards,



Tom Gardner
Co-founder, The Motley Fool

P.S.: Remember, memberships are necessarily limited. And your special \$400 discount is only available if you join through this private invitation. Please don't let this opportunity slip away. Let me hear from you today.

P.P.S.: This truly is a no-risk proposition for you. When you respond today, you're only agreeing to "take a look" -- if you're not 100% satisfied, simply let me know at any point in the next 30 days. You won't pay a cent. Even better, if you accept our best deal and join for three years today, you can cancel up until the final day of your membership term and still get a full refund. No hard feelings whatsoever. [Click here now to start!](#)

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